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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Decision on Appeal dated November 17, 2009, having a shortened statutory period for response that expires January 17, 2010. This Response is being filed on the Monday following a weekend due date and is therefore believed to be filed within the stated statutory period. Reopening of prosecution and further examination and reconsideration are respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.

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